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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication of August 21, 2000, Applicants submit herewith a paper copy of the Sequence Listing (pages 1-5) and a Sequence Listing in machine readable form, both of which comply with (37 C.F.R. §1.821 (c) and (e)). A Statement to Support the submissions of the paper and computer readable form is also provided.

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Dear Sir:

The undersigned, being the attorney of record of the above-identified patent application, submits the following statement regarding the Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable form:

I hereby state that the content of the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing, both submitted herewith, are the same, and that the computer readable form and paper copy of the Sequence Listing contain no sequence information that would constitute new matter beyond the originally filed application.

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- ☐ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
- ☐ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
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